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DEPARTMENT of the INTERIOR

news release

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

For Release November 28, 1973

MORTON SEES THOMPSON CONFIRMATION AS PROVIDING LEADERSHIP FOR NEW ERA FOR AMERICAN INDIANS

Lauding the action of the Senate today in confirming President Nixon's nomination of Morris Thompson as Commissioner of Indian Affairs, Secretary of the Interior Rogers C. B. Morton said he was confident Thompson would provide the leadership to begin "a new era for American Indians."

"We want to work together with the Indian people in accord with the President's historic message to the Congress in July 1970," Secretary Morton said. "The policy of this Administration will continue to be one of advancing the opportunities of our Indian citizens for self-determination, without termination of the special federal relationship with recognized Indian tribes.

"As an Indian himself and as an experienced administrator both on the regional level and at top policy levels, Morris Thompson will, I am confident, bring to the Bureau of Indian Affairs and to the Indian people the leadership so urgently needed to carry this program forward."

Secretary Morton said that Thompson would report directly to him and function as if he were an assistant secretary on a comparable level of responsibility and authority with the current assistant secretaries in the Interior Department. Legislation is now pending before the Congress to establish the position of Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Indian Affairs.

Thompson, who was nominated for the post by President Nixon on October 30, will be the youngest man, at 34, to serve as Commissioner. Thompson is an Athabascan Indian born in Tanana, Alaska. Since March 1971 he served as Alaska Area Director of the Bureau. Prior to his Alaska assignment, he had been a special assistant for Indian Affairs to former Interior Secretary Walter J. Hickel.

Thompson succeeds Louis R. Bruce, whose resignation as Commissioner became effective in January 1973. Marvin L. Franklin was named to the position of Assistant to the Secretary for Indian Affairs on February 7, 1973, and had been responsible since that time for the Department's Indian programs which will now be directed by Thompson.

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DEPARTMENT of the INTERIOR

news release

BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
For Release December 6, 1973

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HEARINGS TO BE HELD ON NEW ACT AFFECTING THE USE OR DISTRIBUTION OF INDIAN JUDGMENT FUNDS

Proposed regulations for the preparation of plans for the use or distribution of judgments made to American Indian tribes or groups by the Indian Claims Commission or the United States Court of Claims have been drafted and can now be commented on, Commissioner of Indian Affairs Morris Thompson announced today.

The proposed regulations to implement the Act of October 19, 1973 were published in the Federal Register on November 14, 1973. In compliance with the new law, a public hearing on the proposed regulations will be held at Denver, Colorado, on December 13, 1973, at the Federal Post Office Building, Room 269, 1823 Stout Street, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.

In addition, written comments, suggestions or objections to the proposed regulations may be sent to the Division of Tribal Government Services, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Washington, D.C. 20245, and will receive consideration equal to that given to all oral testimony presented at the public hearing. Although the proposed regulations cite December 14, 1973, as a date for the receipt of such written expressions, Commissioner Thompson said the Bureau will accept and consider any postmarked not later than January 5, 1974.

In implementing a 180-day time schedule set by the 1973 Act for the disposition of judgment funds, the new regulations would do this:

- . . . Require the earliest possible completion of research to identify the ultimate or present-day beneficiaries of judgments.
- . . . Give the Commissioner of Indian Affairs 75 days from the date of appropriation of funds to cover a judgment in which to submit the results of all research to the involved Area Director or Directors of the Bureau of Indian Affairs. They, in turn, would present the results of the research to the affected tribe or tribes.
- . . . Require an affected Indian tribe or group to hold a preliminary meeting of the tribal governing body, or a public meeting, to develop a suggested plan for the use or distribution of its judgment funds. The Area Director or Directors would assist in arranging these meetings and would make the expertise of the Bureau of Indian Affairs available to them.
- . . . Require the Area Director to call a hearing of record, to receive testimony on the proposed tribal plan, within 60 days after receiving the results of the research from the Commissioner.

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DEPARTMENT of the INTERIOR

Within 180 days of the appropriation of judgment funds, or in the case of awards for which covering funds were appropriated prior to passage of the 1973 Act, within 180 days from the date of that Act, the Secretary of the Interior is required by the Act to submit the final proposed plan, and other pertinent items, to the Chairmen of the Interior and Insular Affairs Committees of the Senate and the House of Representatives. At the same time, he will submit these items to the governing body of each affected tribe or group, and to the appropriate Area Director and Agency Superintendent. Unless one of the Committees disapproves a submitted plan by resolution, it becomes effective on the 60th day from its submission to the Committees. Disapproval of a plan will require the Secretary of the Interior to resubmit it in the form of proposed legislation, after further consultation with the affected Indian tribe or group.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

June 25, 1974



Mr. Patterson:

McKittrick said a reply is "not in its precise form" yet. He sent all the information to Stan Duremus in Roy Hughes' office ten days ago and he has had no follow up yet--will talk with Duremus tomorrow morning.

Says problem is that BIA will not act decisively on a position. Is NTCA under the Act--he thinks that BIA didn't like the draft opinion from Justice and wants a new one submitted.

Will try to get something ASAP.

-gms

Earl Radley

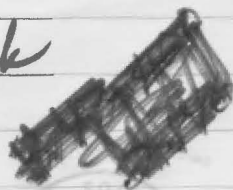
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Frank Adams letter

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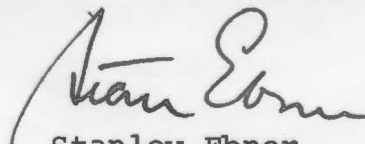
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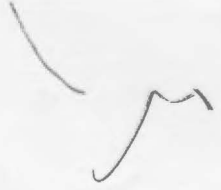
MEMORANDUM FOR BRAD PATTERSON

I wanted to confirm some facts about which I think you already have general knowledge. Specifically, both Len Garment and you have forwarded material relating to inquiries by Hank Adams and Senator Abourezk. Action is proceeding as follows:

- Morris Thompson, the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, will be replying direct on behalf of the President in response to the Adams letter addressed to the President and others. This is being coordinated by Harry McKittrick, our branch chief in charge of Indian affairs. You and Len will of course be copied.
- The Adams letter to Ash is being prepared internally within our Evaluation and Program Implementation Division. It is proposed that the reply will be signed either by the division chief, Clifford Graves, or Bob Marik who is the relevant Associate Director. Copies of this letter will go to you and Len also.

These letters are obviously quite stale. However, of real interest is the fact that our digging around never uncovered the originals of these letters. It would be interesting to learn some day what happened to them, if indeed originals were ever sent.


Stanley Ebner
General Counsel





SURVIVAL OF AMERICAN INDIANS ASSOCIATION
PO Box 719 - Tacoma, Washington 98401

March 19, 1974.

The President of the United States
Attn: Mr. Leonard Garment,
Special Assistant to the President
The White House
Washington, D. C.

U.S. Vice-President Gerald Ford,
Chairman, National Council on
Indian Opportunity (NCIO)
Executive Offices Building
Washington, D. C.

The Hon. Rogers C. B. Morton,
U.S. Secretary of the Interior,
Department of the Interior
Washington, D. C.

The Hon. Casper Weinberger,
U.S. Secretary of HEW,
Department of Health, Education & Welfare
Washington, D. C.

The Hon. William B. Saxbe,
Attorney General of the United States,
U.S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

INRE: Federal Agencies Relationships with the NTCA & NTCFI.

Sirs:

Having reviewed the January 18, 1974, GAO Report (B-114868) regarding operations of the National Tribal Chairmen's Association (NTCA), as well as its establishment and funding by federal agencies, we have no doubt but that the NTCA exists as an instrument of the federal government fully covered by the provisions and requirements of the October 6, 1972, "Federal Advisory Committee Act", 86 Stat. 770, et seq. (Public Law 92-463).

In the organizational chart for NTCA, as prepared for it by the Bureau of Indian Affairs and Interior Department officials, the advisory relationships are drawn to the White House and to the respective executive agencies or Departments. The narrative states:

"NTCA will relate to the White House and Executive Agencies through its Board, Officers, and Executive Director. Initially, White House and Executive Agency contacts will be with the aid of NCIO and needs to consider the White House Counsellors on Community Development, Human Resources, and Natural Resources."

Subsequent NTCA activities have demonstrated that, in varying degrees and extents, each of your agencies or offices has worked with the NTCA officials as an "advisory committee" or comparable entity. Consequently, we herewith

request various items of information, including designated transcripts of agency meetings with NTCA, under the provisions of the "Federal Advisory Committee Act". Additionally, we respectfully request that your respective offices and agencies detail for us the procedures which are being followed by each for conforming to the federal Act when utilizing NTCA (or NTCFI) as an advisory committee or "resource". We request:

(1) A listing from each of your Offices or Agencies of all meetings with NTCA Board, Officers, or Executive Director for securing advice, recommendations, or for promising commitments, with respect to governmental policies, actions, or appointments to federal positions; including information on the availability of minutes, transcripts or agency notes taken at or resulting from each such meeting;

(2) The transcript and respective agency minutes from the meeting held at 10:00 a.m., March 16, 1973, with members of the NTCA Board regarding the incident at Wounded Knee (South Dakota), and attended by Mssrs. Leonard Garment and Brad Patterson (The White House); Deputy Attorney General Ralph Erickson (Justice Department); and John C. Whitaker, Marvin Franklin, William Rogers, and Ken Brown from the Office of the Secretary of the Interior (Interior Department), particularly including the respective Department's minutes or memoranda relating to commitments made to NTCA to secure or bring about wholesale grand jury indictments and prosecutions of Indians associated with AIM or Wounded Knee in order to protect their "tribal governments from jeopardy", and to prevent "opposition, resistance or activism" from spreading or occurring "from reservation to reservation", and to keep the tribal chairmen "safe";

(3) The transcripts and minutes of meetings with Interior, NCIO and White House officials with NTCA officers during the first and second weeks of November 1972, including copies of memoranda or listing of meetings held with Justice Department officials containing NTCA advice or recommendations with regard to prosecutions or public relations efforts against Indian persons involved with the 1972 "Trail of Broken Treaties Caravan";

(4) The transcripts and minutes of meetings with White House, OMB, Treasury, NCIO, Justice and Interior Department and NTCA Board members and officers on dates of December 5, 6, and 7, 1972;

(5) The transcripts and minutes of meetings between NTCA officers and representative Agency officials, including Mssrs. Leonard Garment and Frank Carlucci, of the "Special Federal Inter-agency Task Force on Indian Affairs", as established November 6, 1972, during the period December 5, 1972, through January 8, 1973;

(6) The transcripts and minutes of agency and advisory proceedings for the January 18-19, 1973, meetings between Interior, HEW, NCIO and other agency officials with NTCA Board members and officers;

(7) The transcripts and minutes of agency and advisory proceedings for the February 15, 16 and 17, 1973, meetings between the NTCA Board and Interior, HEW and NCIO or White House officials;

(8) The transcripts and minutes of agency and advisory proceedings for meetings between NTCA Board members and officers with Interior, NCIO, White House and Justice Department officials taking place in Washington, D. C., or South Dakota during March and April, 1973;

(9) The transcripts and minutes of agency and advisory proceedings during November 1972 between NTCA Board members and officers and Interior, NCIO, White House or Justice Department officials, at which time the subject matter of special funding of BIA and tribal police or law enforcement "deputies" on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation and Yakima Indian Reservation was discussed, or recommendations received from NTCA, or commitments made to NTCA by any such agency or officials;

(10) The transcripts and minutes of agency and advisory proceedings during February 1973, if not during the February 15-17 meeting, between NTCA Board Members or officers and Interior, NCIO, White House or Justice Department officials, at which time the assignment of a sizeable force (100 men on round-the-clock basis) of United States Marshals to the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation and Agency Compound was discussed, advice and recommendations received thereupon, or commitments made for such action by any such agency or official (prior to the arrival of that U.S. Marshal force in Pine Ridge during the third week of February 1973);

(11) The transcripts and minutes of agency and advisory proceedings in 1972 between NTCA Board members and officers and Interior, White House and NCIO officials at which the membership composition and presidential appointments to the "National Council on Indian Opportunity" were discussed, recommendations received, or a list of NCIO nominees prepared, accepted or decided upon;

(12) The transcripts and minutes of agency and advisory proceedings in 1973 between NTCA Board members and officers and Interior, White House, HEW, or NCIO officials at which the membership composition and appointments of Indian persons to the 'National Indian Education Advisory Board' were discussed, recommendations received or approved; and similar meetings where allocation of Title IV Indian Education Funds to particular Indian tribes and organizations were discussed, recommendations received thereupon or commitments made; and, for any prior meetings (1972) in which Indian membership on the National Indian Health Board were similarly acted upon;

(13) The transcripts and minutes of agency and advisory proceedings on January 18-19, 1973, or previously, between NTCA Board members or officers and Interior officials, at which NTCA's Legal Counsel and advisor, Mr. Marvin Franklin, was advanced as Special Assistant to the Secretary of the Interior for Indian Affairs;

(14) The transcripts and minutes of agency and advisory proceedings occurring in Bartlesville, Oklahoma, between the NTCA Board, Interior officials, and Messrs. Marvin Franklin and W.W. Keeler, including identification of uses for which \$9,723.00 was expended and any disclaimers by agency officials that the central purpose of the meeting was not to plan "an Indian role in 1972 presidential politics";

(15) Transcripts and minutes of agency proceedings for NTCA, NCIO and

Interior officials at which recommendations were received and acted upon regarding the continuance of contracts for non-Indian operation of the Roswell, New Mexico, Training Center.

II

As a separate listing of requests, under the Freedom of Information Act, we would appreciate the designated offices or agencies providing us:

(1) From the Justice Department:

a. A copy of the September 1, 1972, White House Memorandum from Geoff Sheppard to Deputy Attorney General Ralph Erickson, requesting information for use of the President or John Ehrlichman in 1972 presidential Campaign Trips and for capitalizing on "criminal justice" issues;

b. A copy of Deputy Attorney General Ralph Erickson's September 8, 1972, Memorandum to Acting FBI Director Patrick Gray, requesting the FBI to secure the political information requested on September 1, 1972, by the White House;

c. A copy of the instructions to the Field Offices and Special Agents-in-Charge from the Acting Director, FBI, on September 8, 1972, requesting the information for the presidential campaign, as noted above;

d. A copy of the U.S. Government Memorandum of September 11, 1972, containing the political information gathered by the FBI for Deputy Attorney General Erickson to transfer to the White House for use by the President or John Ehrlichman, and particularly all documents relating to or explanatory of the September 11, 1972, statement by the FBI that:

"Militant Indian groups on Pine Ridge and Rosebud reservations (South Dakota) contend favoritism shown the non-Indian in criminal matters from the standpoint of investigation and prosecution. They also contend politics controls law enforcement within the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA)."

e. A copy of the memorandum or statement of Assistant U.S. Attorney R. D. Hurd, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, between dates of September 17 and 23, 1971, citing reasons why he desired no additional investigation of civil rights violation complaints made in regards to Indians and BIA or Tribal Police on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation;

f. A copy of the September 11, 1970, letter from South Dakota U.S. Attorney William Clayton to the Pine Ridge Indian Police Chief, in which the U.S. Attorney's Office indicates that "in the future, the government will be most reluctant to undertake prosecutions" relating to Indians' charges against Indians on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation;

g. A copy of any statement made on September 16, 1971, by the BIA Agency Superintendent for Pine Ridge, which recommended against prosecution by the U.S. Attorney of civil right violations, involving Indian police and Indian victims, because political strife within that Indian community, among tribal and agency police forces, among tribal judges and among the tribal council, were causing too many problems among reservation police officers, and related statements identifying a so-called "criminal element" {of nearly 100 Indian persons in the community, but including tribal judges, tribal councilmen, and a few of the tribal policemen} who did not warrant protection of federal laws -- although the complaining Indian victim, a school teacher, was identified as "not a member of this unlawful element" -- which statements were considered by Assistant U.S. Attorney R.D. Hurd in declining to prosecute Indian complaints of civil rights violations on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation (September 17, 1971);

h. A copy of the November or December 1972 letter from Special Agent Dennis Hyten of the FBI Washington, D.C., Field Office, through or by the Acting FBI Director Patrick Gray, to Deputy Attorney General Ralph Erickson or the Attorney General Richard Kleindiest, requesting the development of a cooperative system for securing return of properties and documents taken from the BIA Building in early November 1972, which system would be directed toward reducing FBI manpower involved in that effort and toward securing properties without any object of prosecutions for taking or possession;

i. A copy of the memorandum from Deputy Attorney General Ralph Erickson to the FBI Director giving instructions for FBI Field Offices relating to Indians involved in the occupation of the BIA Building, November 2 - 8, 1972, and particularly referencing his November 9 or 10, 1972, meeting with Mssrs. Frank Carlucci, Leonard Garment, and Bradley Patterson;

(2) From the Department of the Interior:

a. A copy of the September 16, 1971, Special Report No. 72-15, "For U.S. Government Use Only" report of the Pine Ridge Police Department, relating to police and political problems over the preceding 15 months on that Reservation.

b. Copies of communications from Aberdeen Area Office Director Wyman Babby; Pine Ridge Tribal Chairman Richard Wilson; National Tribal Chairmen's Association; National Congress of American Indians' Executive Director Charles Trimble; and Mr. Marvin Franklin, respectively, recommending the appointment of Mr. Al Trimble to the position of Superintendent of the Pine Ridge (South Dakota) Indian Agency in mid-1973 or latter-1973.

c. A copy of the authorization for expenditure or transfer of \$56,000.00 in BIA funds in November 1972 for emergency use in the Aberdeen Area Office for additional "Agency" security and police protection;

d. A copy of the Interior Department's request for the assignment and use of U.S. Marshals on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation beginning in mid-February 1973.

III

Available records reveal that NTCA, and an associated dummy corporation, or National Tribal Chairmen's Fund Incorporated (NTCFI), were established by the Department of the Interior and its Bureau of Indian Affairs, aided by the National Council on Indian Opportunity (NCIO), in a deliberately designed fraud upon Indian people. Since its inception in 1971, and through its expenditures of more than \$875,158.00, NTCA has not escaped from that basic design. It has, consequently, been costly to both Indian people and other American taxpayers, while harming the general Indian welfare immensely.

My own questioning of a number of elected Tribal Chairmen in the Pacific Northwest supports a conclusion that most tribal officials are not even aware that there are two separate, although related, organizations: National Tribal Chairmen's Association (NTCA) and the NTCFI). The GAO report does not indicate which, unless solely NTCA, has been recipient of their considerable federal advisory grant funds.

As indicated in the attached letter to OMB Director Roy Ash, the flow of federal monies to NTCA's Board of Directors began with an October 12, 1971, directive designating them a "consultative or advisory group". Prior to that, during the days of July 27-29, 1971, the Indian Commissioner's Office and aides established and structured both NTCA and NTCFI for its own select purposes -- and retained Mr. Marvin Franklin, along with Associate Commissioner Arthur Gajarsa, to control that development.

At the time NTCFI was incorporated in Washington, D.C., Mr. Franklin's primary contribution appears to have been directed toward allowing NTCA's Board of Directors to be a major "lobbying group" for the Administration, while purporting to be in "compliance with Internal Revenue Service regulations". A dummy membership was contrived in order that "the power of the organization would lie in the regular (NTCA) membership, who would become the actual directors, the governing body, the voting body of the (NTCFI) Fund." As Mr. Franklin is paraphrased, if not quoted, in justifying the dummy membership:

"And the whole reason for that and the only reason for that is to try to satisfy the Internal Revenue Service that this fund raising part is not a lobbying group."

Repeatedly it was stressed that the organization(s) were "going to be doing some lobbying". Mr. Franklin also urged that a few people constituting a Board of Directors, or preferably a smaller Executive Committee, "who will be given the authority to act so they can move these things", emphasizing "that there are times when you have to be expedient and move a situation and the organization has to have the capability to move."

BIA officials declined to become a "registered agent" for NTCA and NTCFI for the simple reason that "BIA wished to stay out of the picture as much as possible". Marvin Franklin immediately accepted appointment as legal counsel to NTCA, and there seems no evidence that he has formally relinquished that relationship at any subsequent time -- through all the funding and lobbying enjoyed subsequently by NTCA/NTCFI, and through the period of subsequent federal and private employment of Mr. Franklin.

Both NTCA's status as a lobbying group and as an advisory group was stressed in a September 20, 1971, meeting with the Secretary of the Interior; resulting in a commitment that "yes, we should give them all the help we can";

and where Interior both asked the question, "Who speaks for the Indians??", and answered with its own declared hope, if not determination, that "NTCA will become the voice!" The directive for "advisory group" funding followed, citing the secretarial decisions of September 20, 1971.

We recognize that the "Federal Advisory Committee Act" was not enacted until almost a year later -- nonetheless, its provisions extended for application to advisory groups already in existence or being utilized.

The initial development and succeeding actions of NTCA or NTCFI leaves some questions which should be answered for Indian tribes and people. Which group or organ has been funded by each respective federal grant?? Given the intense concern over construction of a tax-exempt, non-lobbying organization, has NTCA/NTCFI maintained clear separation of functions in its activities, including its reportage to the Internal Revenue Service, and particularly with respect to its uninvited congressional lobbying activity?

During the past two years, a number of elected Tribal Chairmen have been denied entrance to a number of meetings of NTCA, particularly when occurring in the security-tight Executive Offices Building. This is not permissible under the Advisory Committee Act; is it consistent with the provisions of grants, contracts or other federal funding supplied NTCA/NTCFI?

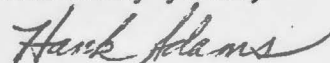
Subsequent to its December 1973 annual Convention in Phoenix, Arizona, NTCA's Board of Directors and Executive Director passed all political resolutions -- misrepresenting their authorization for acting upon resolutions and the body which acted upon them. Such deliberate misrepresentations has permitted NTCA's executive officers and partial board to become the strongest lobbying group in favor of Administration legislative proposals, while disallowing question or examination of their merits. For instance, NTCA supports the Administration's plan for transfusing federal BIA employees into the employment structures of the tribes while maintaining full Civil Service credits, protections or control. In the name of virtually all Tribes, it also misrepresents positions to remain the strongest advocate for eliminating civil rights protections for Indian groups and individuals in reservation communities, and for denying them all recourse to abuses of tribal governing officials, power or authority!

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It's downright pitiful that a few Indian people in official positions would allow themselves to be manipulated and misused so abusively as the handful of NTCA officials who have sold themselves to the Administration for these past few years. The relationship between NTCA/NTCFI and the various federal agencies epitomizes the gross artificiality of the Administration's policy of so-called "self-determination" for Indian people. Personally, I fully believe that both the President and Indian people have been betrayed by those policy-makers and decision-makers who have had free rein and acted in the field of Indian Affairs for the Administration since 1969. From the White House to the Indian Agencies, the only remarkable "new dimension" evidenced among the personnel with power in this Administration has been an almost-incomprehensible smallness.

We shall appreciate your most immediate response to this letter and its several requests for documents and information.

Sincerely yours,



Hank Adams, National Director

cc: Concerned Members of Congress

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SURVIVAL OF AMERICAN INDIANS ASSOCIATION
PO Box 719 - Tacoma, Washington 98401

March, 1974.
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The Hon. Roy M. Ash, Director
U.S. Office of Management & Budget
Executive Offices Building
The White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear Director Ash:

The General Accounting Office's January 18, 1974 report (B-114868) on federal agencies' relationships to and funding for the National Tribal Chairmen's Association (NTCA) provides undeniable conclusion that your office should be monitoring the activities and accomplishments of NTCA under requirements of the 1972 "Federal Advisory Committee Act" (Public Law 92-463).

Therefore, we would appreciate your Office's sending us copies of any comprehensive review of the activities and responsibilities of NTCA which you have instituted under the 1972 Act, as well as your summary of the amounts OMB has determined as necessary for funding NTCA in Fiscal Year 1975. If for some reason NTCA has escaped application of the mandatory provisions of the "Federal Advisory Committee Act", could you please inform us of such reasons.

Certainly, NTCA exists as a "federal advisory committee" under Section 3 of the Act, 86 Stat. 770, et seq., in being "(B) established or utilized by the President, or (C) established or utilized by one or more agencies, in the interests of obtaining advice or recommendations for the President, or one or more agencies or officers of the Federal Government". NTCA does not qualify for any exemption from applicability of the Act. Yet, NTCA's continued violations of this law have permitted its Executive Board to become and operate as one of the most corrupt and ignominious instruments of the federal government; particularly of the White House, Interior Department, BIA, National Council on Indian Opportunity and the Department of Justice -- which have all joined in the persistent violations with respect to secrecy, exclusion of interested persons from meetings, failure to provide advance notice of meetings, and in failing to maintain transcripts and meet reporting requirements.

In less than two years, NTCA was granted traceable federal funds amounting to \$875,158.00. This flow of federal monies to NTCA's Board of Directors began with an October 12, 1971, directive from former Commissioner of Indian Affairs Louis R. Bruce, citing instructions from Interior Secretary Rogers C.B. Morton and former Assistant Secretary Loesch, which designated the NTCA Board of Directors as a "consultative or advisory group" and directed that compensation be paid them virtually upon their demand, or when meeting "with officials of the Bureau or the Department on matters relating to Indian policies". Subsequently, after taking up office space in the Executive Offices Building of the White House, the advisory functions of NTCA's Board and Staff were extended to the additional federal agencies.

We would appreciate your most immediate response.

Respectfully yours,

Hank Adams

Hank Adams, SAIA
National Director

Encl.

May 20, 1974

Dear Jim:

In response to your note of May 10 to Leonard, the Department of Justice has sent the attached letters to Hank Adams.

We have made an inquiry here as to whether from a legal point of view, the opinion stated in Hank's opening paragraph of his March 19 letter is correct. If it is, we shall of course do our best to respond.

Since all this office received was a xerox of Hank's multiple-addressed letter, we were not sure who had primary action on it, but as soon as the legal opinion is received we will help to see to it that the responses are appropriate under the law.

With cordial personal regards,

Bradley H. Patterson, Jr.

Honorable James Abouresk
United States Senate
Washington, D. C. 20510



JAMES ABOUREZK
SOUTH DAKOTA

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United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

May 10, 1974

Mr. Leonard Garment
Special Assistant to the President
The White House
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Garment:

I have received a copy of the materials dated
March 19, 1974, sent to your office by Hank
Adams, National Director of the Survival of
American Indians Association.

I would appreciate a copy of your response to
the issues which Mr. Adams raises in this letter.

Thank you.

With best regards, I am

Sincerely,

James Abourezk

James Abourezk
United States Senate



May 8, 1974

MEMORANDUM TO: STAN EBNER
OMB

(4550)

SUBJECT: Hank Adams March 19 Letters

In March I received only the xerox copy of two letters which Mr. Adams has sent to a number of addressees, including Mr. Ash. I do not know where the signed original is, and so am somewhat unsure as to who "has action" so to speak. The matter was brought to my attention again by noting the April 3 news clip (attached) with remarks attributed to Mr. Banks. This sounds like the same (Adams) letter, and none other has come in here from Mr. Banks.

I would appreciate if it OMB (with the help of the Department of Justice if necessary) would advise whether Mr. Adams' assertions in his opening paragraphs are correct, and if so, what are our responsibilities with respect to the requests he makes.

(The GAO Report, of which I have one copy, is under the personal control of Senator Abourezk.)

Adams is a persistent individual and we need to get a resolution of this or else, I suspect, he will be preparing a lawsuit and he and his AIM supporters will make much of a non-response.

Leonard Garment

Attachments

cc: Mr. Kent Frizzell w/attachments
Mr. Bob Robertson " "
Mr. Sol Lindenbaum " "



THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

April 30

LG :

Unless it is the March
19 mimeographed letter from
Hank Adams (attached), I have
not seen any such communication
as Banks and Means are referring
to. The GAO report to which
Adams referred (I have it) is
under the personal control of
Abourezk; he obviously leaked
it to Adams...

Brock

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2 AIM Leaders Dispute Tribal Association Role

By Dorothy Lewis
Staff Writer

Assistant to Nixon; Vice President Gerald Ford, sions . . . of the Federal Advisory Committee Act"

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By AIM Defendants



OFFICE OF
THE ATTORNEY GENERAL



May 16, 1974

Mr. Brad Patterson
The White House
EOB, Rm. 182
Washington, D. C. 20501

Dear Brad:

Per our conversation, here are copies of
the three separate letters written in this
Department to Hank Adams in response to his
letter of March 19, 1974.

Sincerely,

Sol Lindenbaum





UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

April 22, 1974

Mr. Hank Adams
National Director
Survival of American Indians
Association
Post Office Box 719
Tacoma, Washington 98401

Dear Mr. Adams:

A copy of your communication dated March 19th to various U. S. Government officials, including Attorney General William B. Saxbe, was referred to this Bureau for the purpose of responding to inquiries directed to this Agency, and was received on April 8th.

From a review of the requests you have listed in part II, section (1) of your letter, the FBI will respond to subsections (b), (c), (d) and (h) as follows:

Attached is a copy of the memorandum you requested under subsection (b). We deny your request for the material mentioned in subsections (c) and (d) since these are intra-agency memoranda which would be excluded from disclosure under Title 5, U. S. Code, Section 552 (b) (5) of the Freedom of Information Act. However, for your assistance, I am enclosing a copy of a memorandum dated January 12, 1973, which pertains to the documents requested by you. A review of our files reveals no pertinent data concerning those two documents could be located in addition to that information reflected in the above-mentioned memorandum of January 12th and the quotation you furnished under subsection (d). The two attachments referred to in the January 12th memorandum consist of the document you requested under subsection (a), which will be furnished you by the Department of Justice, and the document you requested in subsection (b) which is enclosed.

With regard to subsection (h), I am also denying your request for this data since it is located in an investigatory file compiled for law enforcement purposes and is exempt from disclosure under the provisions of (b) (7) of the Freedom of Information Act.

- ① - The Deputy Attorney General - Enclosures (4)
- 1 - Assistant Attorney General Henry E. Petersen - Enclosures (4)
Attention: Mr. Roger Adams



Mr. Hank Adams

You may appeal my decision in this matter by writing to the Attorney General, Attention: Office of Legal Counsel, Washington, D. C. 20530. Additionally, judicial review is thereafter available either in the district in which you reside or have a place of business or in the District of Columbia, the location of the records to which you seek access.

Sincerely yours,



Clarence M. Kelley
Director

Enclosures (2)



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April 29, 1974

Mr. Mark Adams, National Director
Survival of American Indians Association
P. O. Box 719
Tacoma, Washington 98401

Dear Mr. Adams:

Your letter of March 19, 1974, addressed to the Justice Department has been forwarded to this Division for consideration and reply. We note that you also addressed your letter to other offices and agencies within the Federal government. The Criminal Division has also been advised that your letter to the Justice Department has been also referred to other Divisions within the Department for consideration and reply.

We note that your request is divided into two parts. The Criminal Division is of the opinion that most of the material requested in Part One, (the 15 requests on pp. 2 and 3 of your letter) is within the knowledge and control of agencies other than the Department of Justice.

Turning to the material requested of the Justice Department in Part II of your letter, the subject of request a., while not a document under the knowledge and control of the Criminal Division has already been made public at the Senate Judiciary Committee Hearings on the nomination of L. Patrick Gray as FBI Director. A copy of the memorandum is enclosed.

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The Criminal Division feels that it may be the proper Division to respond also to request f. and i. in Part II. However, item i. cannot be located from the information supplied, and we are advised that the United States Attorneys Office cannot find item f. from the information supplied. If you can provide us with further information about the document in request i., such as the date on which it was allegedly written, we will again consider this request. We would also suggest that you re-examine your data identifying the letter called for in request f., since, as indicated, no letter of this description can be located by the U. S. Attorney's Office. Should you acquire further information, we would again consider this request as well.

Sincerely,

HENRY E. PETERSEN
Assistant Attorney General



MAY 7 1974

Mr. Hank Adams
Survival of American Indians
Association
Post Office Box 719
Tacoma, Washington 98401

Dear Mr. Adams:

This is in response to your letter of March 19, 1974, requesting certain information under the Freedom of Information Act.

The Deputy Attorney General requested the Civil Rights Division to ascertain if it had in its files any of the materials requested by you from the Justice Department in Section II(1) on pp. 4-5 of your letter of March 19, 1974. Since the Civil Rights Division does not have in its files copies of any of the nine documents you request, I am unable to furnish any of these to you.

Sincerely,

J. STANLEY FOTTINGER
Assistant Attorney General
Civil Rights Division

cc: DAG



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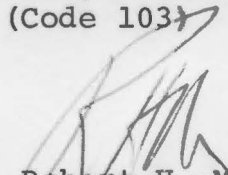
AUG 1 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR LEONARD GARMENT

Subject: Chartering the Advisory Committee on Indian Trust Responsibilities (ACITR); Status of Chartering the National Tribal Chairmen's Association (NTCA)

Attached is a copy of a letter from Clifford W. Graves, Deputy Associate Director for Evaluation and Program Implementation, OMB, to Mr. Everett Keech, Director of Management and Consulting, Department of the Interior, regarding the above advisory committees. Also attached is a copy of the proposed charter for ACITR. Unless valid objections are presented, the Committee Management Secretariat plans to complete its review of the proposed ACITR charter within the next 15 days, and advise the Department of the Interior of the results of the review.

Any comments you may have should be addressed to the Committee Management Secretariat, Office of Management and Budget. Telephone 395-5193 (Code 103)


Robert H. Marik
Associate Director for
~~Management and Operations~~

Attachments

Earl Ruckley



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JUL 26 1974

Mr. Everett T. Keech
Director
Office of Management Consulting
Department of the Interior
Washington, D. C. 20240

Dear Mr. Keech:

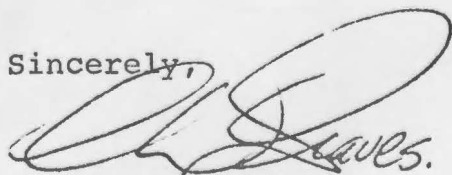
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It should be understood that any action taken respecting the chartering of ACITR in no way implies any judgment on the part of OMB as to whether there is a need to charter NTCA. The resolution of the Department of that issue is still needed.

Sincerely,



Clifford W. Graves
Deputy Associate Director
for Evaluation and
Program Implementation





United States Department of the Interior

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20240

JUL 12 1974

Mr. Chet Warner
Committee Management Secretariat (OMSD)
Office of Management and Budget
Washington, D.C. 20503

Dear Mr. Warner:

On June 19, 1974, a proposed charter for a Bureau of Indian Affairs advisory committee was sent by this office to you for review in accordance with Section 9(a)(2) of Public Law 92-463. Since that date, several discussions have occurred between members of your staff and this Department regarding the need to assure balanced membership on the proposed committee. As a result of those discussions, we are enclosing a revised charter for your consideration, which is intended to completely supersede our previous submission.

It has been determined that it is necessary to obtain advice on the various issues and questions facing the Office of Trust Responsibilities in the Bureau of Indian Affairs. Inasmuch as the advice cannot be obtained from existing organizations or individuals within the Federal service, and no existing advisory committee can be enlarged to absorb these functions, the Secretary of the Interior and the Commissioner of Indian Affairs desire to create an advisory committee to provide advice and recommendations on those actions needed to fulfill the trust responsibilities to Indian people.

The purpose of this committee is to provide the Indian point of view with respect to priorities and substantive matters dealt with by the Office of Trust Responsibilities. To achieve this purpose the membership will be primarily composed of tribal chairmen of Federally recognized tribes, including the twelve regional corporations of Alaska. Those chairmen represent over 90 percent of the Federally recognized Indian population. The committee will be selected from each of the twelve areas of the United States administered by the Bureau of Indian Affairs and provide membership for experts with specific knowledge on the questions presented. This will provide a balanced representation of Indian interests with respect to the performance of the trust responsibility of this Department.



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The enclosed charter, to be signed by the Secretary, contains a statement that creation of the committee is in the public interest in accomplishing those statutory functions assigned to this Department and the Bureau of Indian Affairs. Upon establishment of this committee by the Secretary, the charter and an appropriate notice, as required by Public Law 92-463, will be published in the Federal Register.

We would appreciate your expeditious review of this proposal. Should you desire any additional information, please contact Mr. Clark Stanton, Bureau of Indian Affairs, telephone 343-8019.

Sincerely yours,

for Fred E. Munn
Everett T. Keech
Committee Management Officer

Enclosure



UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Office of the Secretary

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON INDIAN TRUST RESPONSIBILITIES

Charter

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Authority: 25 U.S.C. § 2, et seq. This committee is established in accordance with and governed by provisions of Public Law 92-463, which set forth standards for the formation and use of advisory committees.

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The advisory committee will be responsible for:

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Dated:

Secretary of the Interior



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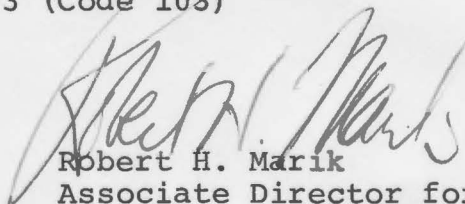
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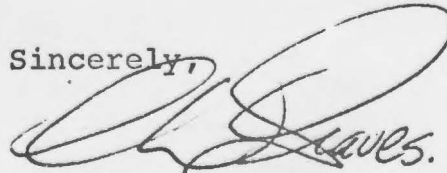
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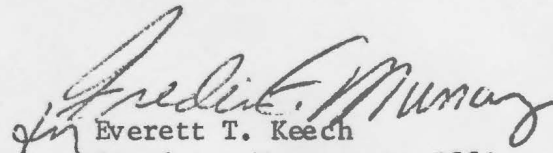
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Dated:

Secretary of the Interior



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

October 29, 1974

Office of the White House Press Secretary

THE WHITE HOUSE

STATEMENT BY THE PRESIDENT

I have signed S. 3007, an act to authorize appropriations for the Indian Claims Commission for 1975.

It is a particular pleasure for me to be able to sign this bill because there are not many opportunities in life to take clear and decisive action designed to right a past wrong.

The background is this:

In 1877, the United States Government took over lands from the Sioux Indians in the Black Hills of South Dakota. At the same time, to prevent widespread starvation of these Indians deprived of their hunting grounds, the Government supplied them with food and other provisions for a number of years.

Earlier this year, the Indian Claims Commission ruled that the United States took the Black Hills lands illegally in violation of the Fifth Amendment. The 1877 value of the land and gold was estimated at \$17.5 million which, together with interest from that point, boosts the value today to nearly \$103 million.

However, the Indian Claims Commission Act of 1946 contains a provision requiring that the Government-supplied food and other provisions, valued at approximately \$57 million, be used to offset the Indians' claims against the Government. If this offsetting provision stayed in effect, it would totally wipe out the \$17.5 million original evaluation and leave the Sioux Indians with nothing.

The basic legal question of whether or not the Sioux have a legitimate claim against the United States over the Black Hills land is still being litigated in the courts. However, in passing this act, Congress has determined -- and I agree -- that if such a claim is held to be valid, it would be unfair and unjust to try to avoid paying it by deducting the cost of previously supplied food and provisions.

Although we cannot undo the injustices from our history, we can insure that the actions we take today are just and fair and designed to heal such wounds from the past.

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STRAIGHT WIRE - NOVEMBER 13, 1974

Honorable James T. Lynn
Secretary of Housing
and Urban Development
Ramada Safari Hotel
Scottsdale, Arizona

I extend my very best wishes to all who attend the HUD-sponsored National Indian Housing Conference.

Consultation with the Indian community is of utmost importance in formulating and determining major policy issues, and this process will be an integral part of my Administration.

During these three days you will have the opportunity to discuss crucial Indian housing matters with representatives from all appropriate Federal agencies.

My hope is that this conference will be another opportunity to ensure a continuing dialogue in our efforts to move ahead together toward common goals in a positive and progressive manner.

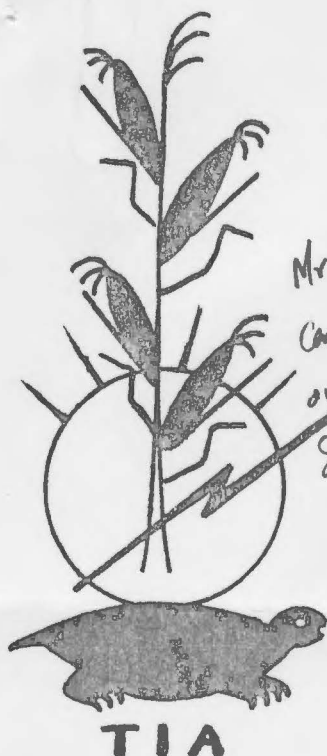
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*Mr. Patterson —
Can you help us in
our efforts at local
Indian input into an
urban Indian manpower program?*

Jean Chaudhuri

November 29, 1974

Mr. William Kolberg
Assistant Secretary for Manpower
U. S. Department of Labor Room 3112
14th and Constitution, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20210

JEAN CHAUDHURI
DIRECTOR

ALBERT CHILDS
Board Chairman

Dear Mr. Kolberg:

We are a local, Tucson, community based inter-tribal Indian organization chartered in Arizona, and we have made the most efficient use of limited resources in serving Indians in Tucson. Further, we have extensive working relationships with other private and public agencies actually serving or capable of serving local Indians in urban Tucson. We have also applied for prime sponsorship in Tucson for Indian Manpower programs as described in Sec. 302 of the Comprehensive Employment and Training Act of 1973 (Public Law 93-203, 87 Stat. 839-883).

We vigorously appeal to you to reconsider any preliminary decision to award prime sponsorship to Arizona Indian Centers, Inc. which is based in Phoenix and has no program experience in Tucson area. The majority of the members of the Arizona Indian Centers' policy making board is composed of non-Indian businessmen who do not have good working relationships with Indian organizations in Phoenix itself--including the Phoenix Indian Center. Despite their existence for several years, the Arizona Indian Centers Inc. has had little success in any sustained program management



which can meet minimum standards of impact evaluation. The Arizona Indian Centers Inc. has no roots in the local Indian community and we bring attention to the legislative intent in subsection 2d of sec. 302 of the act which stipulates that attempt be made for "the approval of the tribes, bands, or groups to be served." This clearly implies local control and consent. We not only request a reconsideration, but we also note that the Pasqua Yaqui Association also has protested against out of town sponsorship.

We urge you to follow the provisions of the Act strictly and to make sure that Indians actually receive skill training with the minimum of overhead costs. We intend to continue our request for reconsideration to the fullest extent possible, and we stand prepared to cooperate with any local agencies committed to serving Indian needs.

Sincerely,

Jean Chaudhuri
Director of Traditional Indian Alliance

Jean Chaudhuri

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Senator Goldwater, Congressman Udall, Board of Supervisors,
 Pima County, Mayor; South Tucson, Mayor; Tucson, Sandy McNabb,
 Indian Manpower Programs.



PASCUA YAQUI ASSOCIATION

AND PASCUA YAQUI DEVELOPMENT PROJECT

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Washington D.C. 20210

Dear Mr. Kolberg:

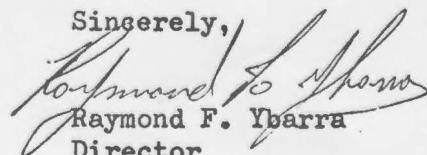
The Pascua Yaqui Association is appealing the selection for CETA prime sponsorship in Pima County under Title III.

Our appeal is based on the fact that the prime sponsorship was given to Arizona Indian Center which in fact is based in Phoenix, Arizona which is in Maricopa County.

Our appeal is also based on the fact that , we of Pima County in Tucson, can run the program here, at the local level, and also know the needs of the people in our communities.

Why was the prime sponsorship addressed to Pima County and then given to a Maricopa County based organization?

Sincerely,



Raymond F. Ybarra
Director
Pascua Yaqui Association

Copies are being sent to Morris Udall, Barry Goldwater, Governor Jack Williams, and the Mayor and County Supervisors of Pima County



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Mr. Norman Ross
Domestic Council
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. Ross:

At the request of Senator Paul J. Fannin, the General Accounting Office is making a review of Federal benefits provided to American Indians (Indians, Eskimos, and Aleuts), including individuals, tribes, bands, groups, and businesses. In this regard, we need to determine the total obligations for each Federal program providing benefits to American Indians for fiscal years 1969 through 1974, and the portion of these obligations which benefited Indians.

Also, for those programs designed exclusively for Indians or programs which have funds set aside to be used only for the benefit of Indians, we need:

- a description of each program,
- information on the number of people involved in the operation of each program, and the number involved in program planning as opposed to program operations,
- the names of similar programs of other Federal agencies, regardless of whether or not these programs are designed exclusively for Indians,
- agency procedures for coordinating its program with similar programs of other Federal agencies, and
- a list of congressional committees and subcommittees, other than appropriations committees, that are involved in program oversight for the program.



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Because the activities of the National Council on Indian Opportunity (NCIO) were designed exclusively to benefit American Indians, we would like to receive information on all NCIO obligations for the period under review. We have enclosed pro forma sheets for your use in providing the information we are requesting and instructions on how they should be completed. We would appreciate receiving the requested information within 45 days from the date of this letter.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact the following representatives of the Resources and Economic Development Division on 343-4594.

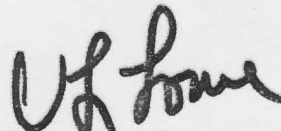
Mr. Frank V. Subalusky, Assistant Director
Mr. David L. Jones, Supervisory GAO Auditor

Please forward the requested information to Mr. Subalusky at:

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1951 Constitution Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20245

Your cooperation and assistance in this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely yours,



Victor L. Lowe
Director

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